(b) if so, Government's reaction thereto; and

(c) whether Government have drafted proposals in this regard, if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS, FOOD AND PUBLIC DISTRIBUTION (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The existing storage capacity available with various agencies is sufficient to meet the requirements of buffer stocks, Targeted Public Distribution System (TPDS) and other Welfare Schemes in the country.

(c) To meet the growing demand of storage capacity, the Government has announced a National Policy on handling, storage and transportation of foodgrains under which private sector participation is being encouraged for development of infrastructure for the integrated bulk handling, storage and transportation.

Unorganised sector Bill

†*156. SHRI RAMA MUNI REDDY SIRIGIREDDY:
SHRI K. RAMA MOHANA RAO:

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are giving final touches to the unorganised sector Bill;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether it is also a fact that the Ministry of Finance have raised objections to the proposed unlimited liability of Government in the fund; and

(d) if so, the manner in which Government propose to mobilise Rs. 1000 odd crores required in the next five years for the purpose?

THE MINISTER OF LABOUR (SHRI SAHIB SINGH VERMA): (a) to (d) The Government propose to introduce a comprehensive Bill for the unorganised sector workers. The Bill amongst other provisions also envisages to provide for certain social security measures including old age pension, accident and health insurance cover. The proposal is under active consideration of the Government.

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